

DRAFT – FIFTH NOTIFICATION TO RESP ORGS

Date: January 16, 2006

Subject: Release 16.3 Implementation

The purpose of this Client Support Bulletin (CSB) is to remind you of the new feature included in SMS/800® Release 16.3. On November 10, 15 and 22, and December 15, the SMS/800® Help Desk sent you CSBs (insert #s) describing the new feature and its implementation.

As you are aware, the FCC#1 SMS/800 Functions Tariff requires a Responsible Organization (Resp Org) to "[n]otify and obtain the acceptance of any LEC or IC to which traffic for a specific 800 number will be routed." Pursuant to this tariff provision, Release 16.3 will include a new software feature that will enable Carriers and Network Service Providers to prevent the unauthorized use of CIC 0110 to route intraLATA toll free calls within their networks. The feature will be available in both the Web Based Access (WBA) and 3270 interfaces. The implementation of Release 16.3 will not disrupt routing of any toll free numbers for which the appropriate acceptance of the carrier(s) has been obtained.

Please note that different Carriers and Network Service Providers may have different policies regarding acceptance of traffic routed over their networks using CIC 0110. The SMT has no role in establishing the policies of individual Carriers and Network Service Providers. For more information about a Carrier or Network Service Provider's policies on acceptance of toll-free traffic and the use of CIC 0110, please contact that Carrier or Network Service Provider directly.

Release 16.3 is being implemented in two phases. Phase One addressed the creation of new toll free records and modifications to existing toll free records. Now that Phase One has been implemented, Resp Orgs cannot create new toll free records or to modify existing records, if the record would use CIC 0110, without acceptance, to route traffic using the Carrier's or Network Service Provider's network. To assist your transition to the new feature, the SMS/800® Help Desk has conducted training classes, and the SMT has provided each Resp Org with reports of its own intraLATA toll free records that contain CIC 0110 (additional classes will be held and further reports will be distributed, as noted below). The implementation of Phase Two is described below.

Phase Two

Phase Two will address existing toll free records. After the implementation of Phase Two, existing toll free records that employ CIC 0110, without authorization, to route traffic to the Carrier's or Network Service Provider's network will be routed to Out of Band Announcement in the SMS/800® database, and those toll free numbers will no longer function.

In preparation for Phase Two, the SMS/800® Help Desk will continue to conduct training classes on the use of the new feature as noted on the schedules below. The Help Desk will send out a newsflash to all Resp Orgs with further details about the training classes. Details about the classes will also be available on the SMS/800® website. In addition, as Phase Two implementation approaches, the SMT will provide each Resp Org updated reports of its own intraLATA toll free records that contain CIC 0110 as noted on the schedules below.

Schedule Of Events Leading To Phase Two Implementation	
December 5, 2005	SMT will provide Resp Orgs Third Reports of records using CIC 0110
December 7, 2005	IntraLATA Carrier Management Training Class
December 15, 2005	SMT will distribute reminder notification of Release 16.3 implementation and schedule
December 21, 2005	IntraLATA Carrier Management Training Class
January 4, 2006	IntraLATA Carrier Management Training Class
January 9, 2006	SMT will provide Resp Orgs Fourth Reports of records using CIC 0110
January 16, 2006	SMT will distribute reminder notification of Release 16.3 implementation and schedule
January 18, 2006	IntraLATA Carrier Management Training Class
January 25, 2006	IntraLATA Carrier Management Training Class
January 29, 2006	Phase Two Implementation